19 February 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR : Chief, TSS/R&D

SUBJECT : Leaflet Rocket (TSS Project No. MD-91)

1. This Division is very definitely interested in the proposed TSS Leaflet Rocket. Inquiries have already been dispatched to SR Division [redacted] comments will not be available in time for the 20 February deadline established by TSS for all replies relative to this project. 50X1 50X1

2. Present SR Division plans do not envision large scale utilization of the rocket pending completion of all field tests and evaluations. It would be desirable if this Division could be provided with (50) developmental rockets [redacted] 50X1

3. At present it is difficult to approximate the possible scope of future leaflet rocket operations. Indications are, however, that small scale leaflet rocket operations will be possible in the near future. Present operational limitations require the leaflet rockets be:

A. [redacted] 50X1

B. Have an adequate range; quoted range of 2000 yards is adequate for most SR Division ops. A table of instructions should be provided if the height of burst is not pre-set.

C. The quoted cost of $10 to $20 per rocket is within the scope of present budget limitations.

D. [redacted] 50X1

CONFIDENTIAL

E. This Division can provide any size, number or weight leaflets to be distributed. TSS should determine the size of rocket based on the other considerations listed above. A sample of the types of leaflets which might be fired will be shown [redacted] the TSS Project Engineer. 50X1

F. A time delay should be included in the firing mechanism of the rocket to insure that the personnel firing the rocket will have cleared the area. A time delay of 1 to 12 hours would be desirable.

4. Field comments and suggestions on operational utilization will be forwarded to TSS on arrival. An questions relative to this memorandum should be referred to [redacted] 50X1
50X1

Peer de Silva

[redacted] 50X1

CONFIDENTIAL